

What is claimed is:

1. A switching system to interconnect a plurality of peripherals and a video display device with a plurality of computers, allowing a user to access any one of said computers by using said peripherals, comprising:
  - an input/output switching hub to route control signals transmitted from the peripherals to a selected computer, and to route video signals received from said selected computer to the video display device;
  - a peripheral connection module to receive said control signals, and to route said video signals;
  - a computer interface connection unit to route said control signals, and to receive said video signals; and
  - a memory device to store data from said selected computer, and to transfer said data to any one or more of said computers.
2. The switching system of claim 1 wherein said input/output switching hub is coupled between said computer interface connection unit and said peripheral and video connection modules.
3. The switching system of claim 1 wherein the peripheral connection and video connection are coupled between said peripherals and said input/output switching hub.

1 4. The switching system of claim 1 wherein said computer interface connection unit is  
2 coupled between said input/output switching hub and said plurality of computers.

1 5. A switching system to interconnect a plurality of peripherals including a keyboard, a  
2 cursor control device, and a video display device with a plurality of computers, allowing a user  
3 to access any one of said computers by using said peripherals, comprising:

4 an input/output switching hub to route keyboard and cursor control signals transmitted  
5 from the peripherals to a selected computer and to route video signals received from said  
6 selected computer to the video display device;

7 a keyboard connection module, cursor control connection module and video connection  
8 module to receive said transmitted keyboard and cursor control signals, and to route said  
9 received video signals;

10 a computer interface connection unit to route said transmitted keyboard and cursor  
11 control signals, and to receive said received video signals; and

12 a memory device to store data from said selected computer, and to transfer said data to  
13 any one or more of said computers.

1 6. The switching system of claim 5 wherein said input/output switching hub is coupled  
2 between said computer interface connection unit and said keyboard, cursor control and video  
3 connection modules.



1 13. The memory device of claim 12 wherein said memory is a fast magnetic data storage  
2 module.

1 14. A method of transferring data from a selected computer to any one of a plurality of  
2 computers through a switching system comprising:  
3 providing a first user command on said data from said selected computer;  
4 transferring said data to a memory device of said switching system;  
5 switching from said selected computer to any one of said plurality of computers; and  
6 providing a second user command to transfer said data from said memory device to said  
7 one of a plurality of computers.

1 15. The method of claim 14 wherein said first and second user commands are identified by  
2 said selected computer for routing data between said memory device and said selected computer.

1 16. The method of claim 15 wherein said switch from selected computer to any one of said  
2 plurality of computers is performed by an additional user command.

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